

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
JUDICIAL CONDUCT COMMISSION**

IN RE THE MATTER OF:

**HOWARD KEITH HALL, CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
DIVISION II, 35TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

**ORDER REINSTATING JUDGE HOWARD KEITH HALL TO THE PERFORMANCE OF
JUDICIAL DUTIES**

Howard Keith Hall is a Circuit Court Judge for Kentucky's 35th Judicial Circuit consisting of Pike County. Under SCR 4.020(1)(a)(ii)¹, Judge Hall was suspended temporarily from the performance of judicial duties, without affecting his compensation, by an Order Suspending Temporarily from the Performance of Judicial Duties entered April 18, 2025 (the "Order") because of an indictment in case no. 3:25-cr-00005-GFVT-MAS filed in the Eastern District of Kentucky, Central Division at Lexington charging him with crimes punishable as felonies.

On November 18, 2025, Judge Hall was acquitted of all charges in the above case.

Because the circumstances regarding his temporary suspension are no longer in effect, pursuant to SCR 4.020(1)(a)(ii), Judge Howard Keith Hall is hereby immediately REINSTATED to the performance of judicial duties. The Order and all restrictions imposed by the Order such as use of his judicial office at the Pike County Judicial Center, use of any other judicial resources, use of his secure courthouse access pass, keys, or credentials to court security, are hereby VACATED and SET ASIDE.

With a quorum present, the decision of the Commission was unanimous.

¹ SCR 4.020(1)(a)(ii) states that the Judicial Conduct Commission shall have authority "to suspend temporarily from the performance of judicial duties, without affecting his/her compensation any judge against whom there is pending in any court of the United States an indictment or information charging him/her with a crime punishable as a felony."

Pursuant to SCR 4.130(1) this Order shall be public.

So Ordered,

Date: November 18, 2025

s
R. MICHAEL SULLIVAN, CHAIR

Judge Coleman recused in this matter.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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